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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** The Honorable Members of the State Board of Education

**FROM:** Joy Hofmeister

**DATE:** January 28, 2016

**SUBJECT:** Administrative Rule Promulgation

The State Board of Education will be taking action at the January meeting on the following administrative rule amendments, pursuant to the *Oklahoma Administrative Procedures Act*, 75 O.S. § 250 *et seq.*:

Title 210. State Department of Education  
Chapter 20. Staff  
Subchapter 9. Professional Standards: Teacher Education and Certification  
Part 1. General Teaching Certificate Requirements  
**210:20-9-10.2. Teacher Competency Review Panel; recommendation for certification; fee assessment [REVOKED]**  
Part 9. Teacher Certification  
**210:20-9-100. Teacher Competency Review Panel [REVOKED]**

The administrative rules that codified requirements for the Teacher Competency Review Panel must be revoked because the authorizing statute, 70 O.S. § 6-202, has been repealed. The Teacher Competency Review Panel is no longer in place.

Title 210. State Department of Education  
Chapter 20. Staff  
Subchapter 9. Professional Standards: Teacher Education and Certification  
Part 1. General Teaching Certificate Requirements  
**210:20-9-9. Kinds, types, classes, and processing fees of certificates [AMENDED]**

The rule that lists classes of teacher and administrator certificates contains outdated references to a specific "license" category for first-year teachers, a certification status that no longer exists. The proposed amendments strike references to this obsolete category.

Title 210. State Department of Education

Chapter 20. Staff

Subchapter 9. Professional Standards: Teacher Education and Certification

Part 9. Teacher Certification

**210:20-9-94. Period of validity of certificates [AMENDED]**

The proposed amendments remove language that referred to a certification category which is no longer in use, a former one year license for first-year teachers. A provision is also added to the subsection on emergency certification. The amendment to the emergency certification subsection provides that the one (1) year validity period of an emergency teaching certificate may be extended for one (1) additional year at the request of the superintendent of the employing district.

Title 210. State Department of Education

Chapter 20. Staff

Subchapter 9. Professional Standards: Teacher Education and Certification

Part 9. Teacher Certification

**210:20-9-95. Effective date of teaching certificates [AMENDED]**

Senate Bill 29 (2015) established new effective dates for renewed teaching certificates, which required an emergency amendment to update this rule accordingly. This proposed permanent version also aligns the effective dates of newly issued teaching certificates with the dates established for renewed certificates under SB 29. Under these amendments, the certificate of an applicant who completes all requirements for certification and submits an application and supporting documentation between May 1 and December 31 will have an effective date of July 1. The certificate of an applicant who submits the required documentation between January 1 and April 30 will be dated the first day of the month in which the application and supporting documents are received.

Title 210. State Department of Education

Chapter 20. Staff

Subchapter 9. Professional Standards: Teacher Education and Certification

Part 9. Teacher Certification

**210:20-9-96. Requirements for renewal or reissuance of certificates [AMENDED]**

The rule that lists requirements for the renewal of teaching certificates contains outdated references to the "license" category for first-year teachers, a certification status no longer in use. The proposed amendments strike references to this obsolete category, and also to a "Professional certificate" category that no longer exists.